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Sir:

In satisfaction of the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants wish to draw the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the references cited on the accompanying form PTO-1449. Copies of the references are enclosed.

Further, in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c) and 1.97(e)(1), the undersigned certifies that the references listed on the enclosed form PTO-1449 were first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office for a counterpart foreign application dated October 2, 2001 or December 3, 2001. A copy of the International Search Report mailed October 2, 2001 for the counterpart PCT application is enclosed herewith.

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None of the foregoing references is believed to disclose the invention as claimed. Nothing herein shall constitute an admission concerning the contents of any of the cited references, nor shall the inclusion of a reference herein be considered an admission that the reference constitutes prior art against the invention claimed in the above-identified application. Submission of the present document shall not be construed as an admission that a search has been made or that better art does not exist.

As far as is known to the undersigned, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), and therefore no fee is required. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1300 (Our Order No. A-68767-1/RFT/SPL).

Respectfully submitted,

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